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**REMARKS:**

- Attached: 1. Associate Power of Attorney for Peter Murphy (2 pgs)  
2. Associate Power of Attorney for Peter Nieves (2 pgs)

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1. Proposed Claim Amendments for Discussion (1 pg)

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**FOR DISCUSSION ONLY**

1. (currently amended) An apparatus for holding a fish, comprising:

a molded plastic clip having two or more opposing protrusions rotatable about a spacer, the protrusions moveable between a first position and a second position, the protrusions urged towards one another by a biasing member to create a gripping force between the protrusions, in the first position, the gripping force capable of holding a fish without punching a hole in the fish, and a stopper spaced from the spacer for restricting movement of the biasing member; and

a length of rope having a loop formed at a first end, the loop securing the rope to the clip, the loop capable of exerting a force on the biasing member thereby increasing the gripping force.

21. (newly added) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein movement of a first end of the biasing member away from the spacer increases the gripping force at the protrusions.

